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ELECTION AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Requirement for Restriction, mailed April 22, 2008, Applicant elects, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-52, 54-84, 86-120, 126-131 and 138, drawn to compounds as described in the claims and to pharmaceutical compositions thereof. Applicant elects, without traverse, (Z)-5-(2'-fluoro-3'-methyl-benzylidene)-1,2-dihydro-9-hydroxy-10-methoxy-2,2,4-trimethyl-5H-chromeno[3,4-f]-quinoline (compound 28) as a species of the compounds of Group I for search purposes. Claims 1-4, 6-10, 12-18, 25-28, 30-34, 36, 46, 99, 107, 108, 120-126, 128, 130-136 and 138 read on the elected species.

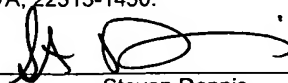
Preliminary to the examination of the above-captioned application, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 65 of this paper.

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